

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NUMBER: 98-00454

COUNSEL: NONE

JUN 12 1998

HEARING DESIRED: NO

Applicant requests that his records be corrected to reflect award of the Vietnam Service Medal, commendation or campaign ribbons, and his service in Indochina. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been received by this office.

After careful consideration of applicant's request and the available evidence of record, we find insufficient evidence of error or injustice to warrant corrective action. The facts and opinions stated in the advisory opinion appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been rebutted by applicant. Absent persuasive evidence applicant was denied rights to which entitled, appropriate regulations were not followed, or appropriate standards were not applied, we find no basis to disturb the existing record.

Accordingly, applicant's request is denied.

The Board staff is directed to inform applicant of this decision. Applicant should also be informed that this decision is final and will only be reconsidered upon the presentation of new relevant evidence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board Mr. Wayne R. Gracie, Ms. Rita S. Looney, and Ms. Ann L. Heidig considered this application on 28 May 98 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603 and the governing statute, 10 U.S.C. 1552.

Wayne R. Gracie
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Panel Chair

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS

MEMORANDUM ~~FOR~~ AFBCMR

4 March 1998

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPPPRA
550 C Street West Ste 12
Randolph AFB TX 78150-4714

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records (DD Form 149)
[REDACTED]

1. REQUESTED ACTION. Applicant requests correction of **his** DD Form 214 to reflect award of the Vietnam Service Medal, commendation or campaign ribbons, and service in Indochina.

2. BASIS FOR REQUEST. Applicant provided **three** copies of PACAF Form 100, Hostile **Fire** Pay Certification.

3. FACTS.

a. Applicant served on Active **Duty** 19 Jan 72-16 Jan 76. His DD Form **214** indicates in Item 19, "No" for service in Indochina or Korea since 5 Aug 64. He received the National Defense Service Medal **and** Air Force Good Conduct Medal.

b. The cutoff date **for** award of the Vietnam Service Medal is 28 ~~Mar~~ 73. If TDY, **an** individual is required **to** have spent **30** consecutive days in the Area of Operations (Vietnam, Thailand, **Laos** or Cambodia) in direct support of the operations in Vietnam. The applicant was stationed at Beale **AFB CA** at the time, but his records do not reflect any overseas service or TDY.

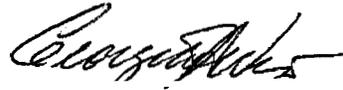
c. The only applicable PACAF **Form** 100 is the one for the **month** of February. However, **this** form does not reflect the number of **days**, the country, or **his** reason for being there.

4. DISCUSSION. The Hostile Fire Pay Certificate was for income tax purposes, **and** the individual receiving **this** certificate only had to fly into Vietnam, Thailand, Cambodia or **Laos** **for** one day to receive the certificate, **and** did not have to be in direct support of operations in Vietnam. The applicant **has** failed to provide **any** documentation to show that he spent **30** consecutive or **60** nonconsecutive days in **Vietnam**, Thailand, Cambodia or Laos prior to 28 ~~Mar~~ 73. He was not stationed overseas during his three+ years in the service. We can not verify his eligibility for the Vietnam Service **Medal**, for any additional awards or decorations, or **that** he is eligible for Item 19 to be marked "Yes."

5. RECOMMENDATION.

We recommend disapproval of the applicant's request for his DD Form 214 to reflect award of the Vietnam Service Medal, commendation or campaign ribbons, and service in Indochina.

FOR THE COMMANDER



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